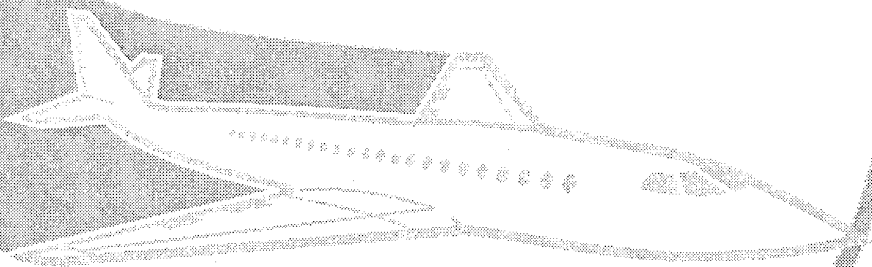


Operational Test and Evaluation (OT&E) Operational Test Procedures for Type V/VI Fixed Ground Antenna Radome (FGAR)

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1. INTRODUCTION.

The objectives of Operational Test and Evaluation (OT&E) testing are to verify the Fixed Ground Antenna Radome (FGAR) does not degrade the electromagnetic performance of the Air Route Surveillance Radar (ARSR)-3 and Air Traffic Control Radar Beacon System (ATCRBS) antenna patterns, and that it meets the other criteria specified in the OT&E Test Plan and the Test and Evaluation (T&E) Master Plan (TEMP) Test Verification Requirements Traceability Matrix (TVRTM).

The first Type V/VI FGAR will be installed at the Newport, Attala County, Mississippi (MS) ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM) and is considered a First Article. The OT&E Operational testing will be limited to electromagnetic performance testing using "live" primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) aircraft (targets of opportunity) radar data. These data will be collected and analyzed by the Memphis (ZME) and Houston (ZHU) Air Route Traffic Control Centers (ARTCC). (The Houston ARTCC [ZHU] is not presently receiving data from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility [QNM].)

2. REFERENCE DOCUMENTS.

2.1 FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA) ORDERS.

Order 1814.4B	FAA NAS Test and Evaluation Policy
Order 6100.1C	Maintenance of NAS En Route Stage A Air Traffic Control System

2.2 FAA STANDARDS.

FAA-STD-024b	Content and Format Requirements for the Preparation of Test and Evaluation Documentation
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2.3 FAA SPECIFICATIONS.

FAA-E-2773b	Specification for Fixed Ground Antenna Radome (Mode S Compatible)
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2.4 OTHER FAA DOCUMENTS.

DTFA01-93-C-00075	Fixed Ground Antenna Radome (FGAR) Contract
DOT/FAA/CT-TN93/17	Fixed Ground Antenna Radome (FGAR) Master Test and Evaluation Plan (TEMP)
DOT/FAA/CT-TN95/23	Fixed Ground Antenna Radome (FGAR) Type I/III OT&E Integration and OT&E Operational Final Test Report
DOT/FAA/CT-TN95/69	Operational Test and Evaluation (OT&E) Operational Test Plan for Type V/VI Fixed Ground Antenna Radome (FGAR)
FAA-4306B-8H	User's Manual - Common Digitizer Data Reduction (COMDIG) Program
FAA-4306F-3H	User's Manual - Common Digitizer Record (CD RECORD) Program

FAA-4306M-6H	User's Manual - Range, Azimuth, Radar Reenforced Evaluator (RARRE) Program
FAA-4306N-6H	User's Manual - Quick Analysis of Radar Sites (QARS) Program
FAA-4306P-9H	User's Manual - Beacon False Target Analysis (BFTA) Program

3. SYSTEM DESCRIPTION.

3.1 SYSTEM OVERVIEW.

The FGAR supplies optimal protection from the outside environment while providing minimal degradation to the electromagnetic performance characteristics of the enclosed antenna(s). The hardware required for installation, i.e., cables, wiring, support equipment, radome mounted/supported equipment, radome base ring (Type II only), and spare parts are part of the FGAR procurement. There are five types of radomes (no Type IV radomes are being procured). They are the following:

a. Type I Radome.

This type of radome will provide an environmental enclosure for a collocated L-band surveillance radar parabolic reflector and top-mounted dual-faced L-band beacon phased array antenna. The radome will be capable of withstanding wind velocities of 150 miles per hour (MPH). They will have an inside diameter of 59 feet at their widest point, and will fit a base-ring diameter equal to the present CW-396A radome. The enclosed antennas will rotate at a speed of either 5 or 6 revolutions per minute (RPM).

b. Type II Radome.

This type of radome will provide an environmental enclosure for a dual-faced L-band beacon phased array antenna consisting of two identical rectangular back-to-back antennas approximately 6 feet high by 27 feet wide, rotating at speeds up to 5 RPM. The radome will be capable of withstanding wind velocities of 150 MPH and have an inside diameter of 35 feet at its widest point. It will fit the standard beacon-only antenna platform.

c. Type III Radome.

This type of radome will be identical to the Type I in all respects, except that it will be capable of withstanding wind velocities of 100 MPH maximum.

d. Type V Radome.

This type of radome will provide an environmental enclosure for a collocated L-band radar reflector and top-mounted dual-faced L-band beacon phased array antenna. The radome will be capable of withstanding wind velocities of 150 MPH. They will have an inside diameter of 57.5 feet at their widest point, and will fit a base-ring diameter equal to the present ARSR-3 radome.

e. Type VI Radome.

This type of radome will be identical to the Type V in all respects, except that it will be capable of withstanding wind velocities of 100 MPH maximum.

3.2 INTERFACES OVERVIEW.

3.2.1 Mechanical Interface.

a. The Type I/III and V/VI FGARs interface mechanically with the existing antenna tower radome base ring.

b. The Type II FGAR radome base ring is part of the procurement and interfaces with the antenna tower.

3.2.2 Electrical Interface.

All types of FGARs interface electrically with the following facility systems:

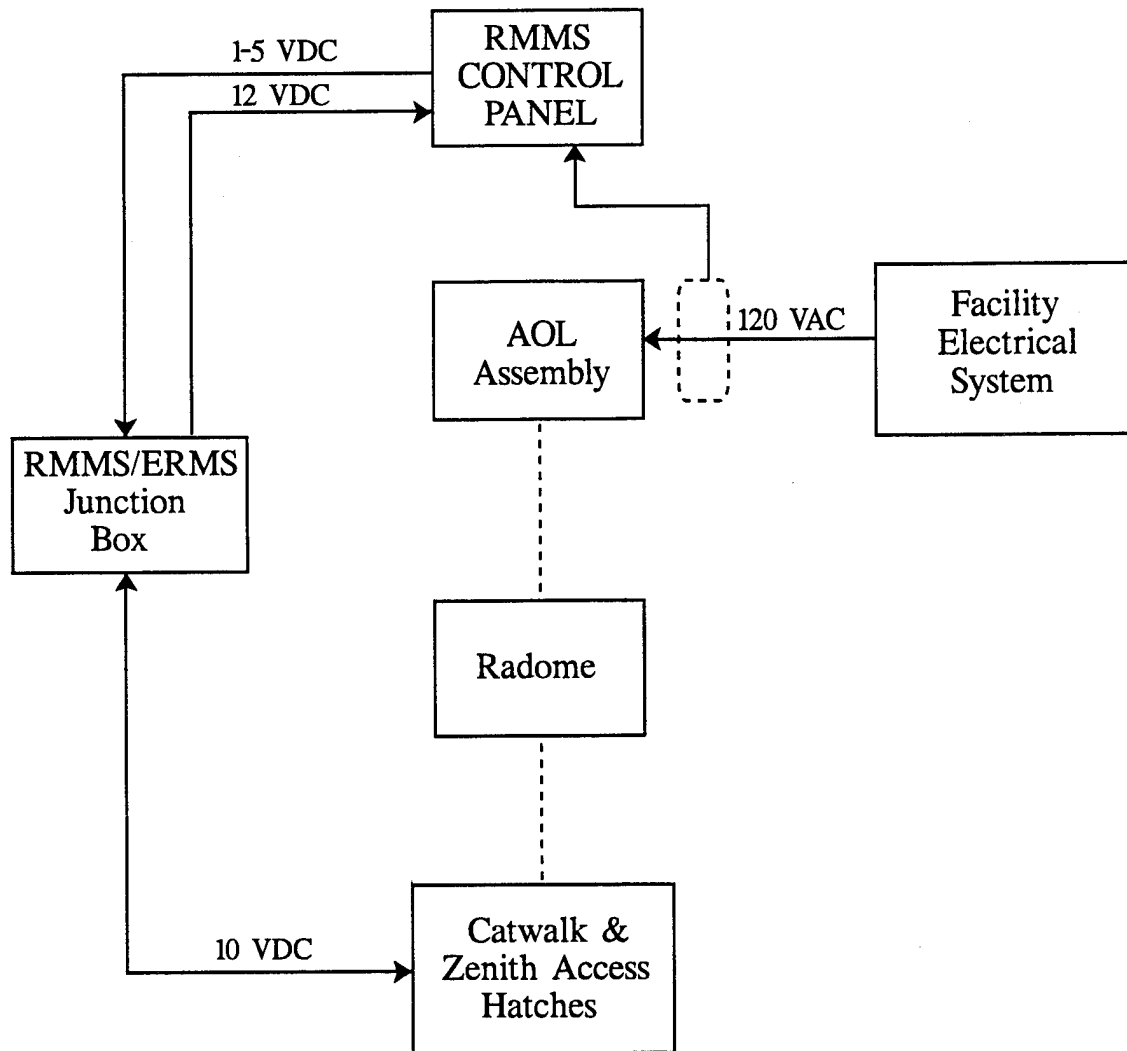
a. Electrical system.

b. Lightning protection system.

c. Remote Maintenance Monitoring System (RMMS)/Environmental Remote Monitoring Subsystem (ERMS).

d. Transient protection.

A block diagram of the Type V/VI interfaces are shown in figure 3.2.2-1.



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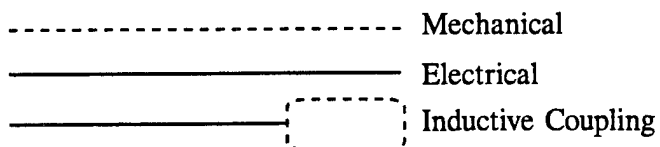


FIGURE 3.2.2-1. TYPE V/VI FGAR INTERFACES BLOCK DIAGRAM

4. TEST MANAGEMENT.

4.1 TEST DIRECTOR.

A Test Director (TD) will be appointed to supervise the testing. The TD's duties include:

- a. Scheduling the required test facilities (see appendix A).
- b. Collection of test data, e.g., computer printouts, etc.
- c. Analysis of test data and documentation.

4.2 COORDINATION.

The TD will be responsible for coordinating activities of the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM) and the Memphis (ZME) and Houston (ZHU) ARTCCs.

4.3 DEVIATIONS.

Not applicable.

4.4 DATA ELEMENTS.

Not applicable.

4.5 DATA BASE DESIGN AND STRUCTURE.

Not applicable.

4.6 INITIAL SETUP/CONFIGURATION.

Prior to commencing OT&E Operational testing, the contractor must have:

- a. Completed the installation of the FGAR.
- b. Removed any scaffolding, cranes, etc., required for its installation.
- c. Completed the First Article Design Qualification Test (DQT).
- d. Completed the Site Acceptance Test (SAT).
- e. Completed the Contractor Acceptance Inspection (CAI).

4.7 TEST PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS.

The Technical Support Staff (TSS) and HOST Computer System (HCS) operators at the Memphis (ZME) and Houston (ZHU) ARTCCs will be required to support the testing.

4.8 TEST SUPPORT HARDWARE, SOFTWARE, AND DOCUMENTATION.

The hardware and software required to support the testing are:

- a. Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).
 1. ARSR-3
 2. Air Traffic Control Beacon Interrogator (ATCBI)-5
- b. Memphis (ZME) and Houston (ZHU) ARTCC HCSs.

- c. The QARS, BFTA, RARRE, COMDIG, and CD RECORD programs (see appendix B).

4.9 DATA COLLECTION, RECORDING, AND REDUCTION.

The data collection, recording, and reduction will be accomplished by the Memphis (ZME) and Houston (ZHU) ARTCCs TSS personnel. They will run the QARS, BFTA, RARRE, and COMDIG programs on their HCS using primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).

4.10 ANALYSIS METHODS.

These data analysis will be accomplished at the Memphis (ZME) and Houston (ZHU) ARTCCs. TSS personnel supporting the test will analyze the radar data supplied by the QARS, BFTA, RARRE, and COMDIG programs. When the analysis has been completed, they will prepare a report and forward it to the TD.

5. ACRONYMS.

ACP	Azimuth Change Pulse (QARS program)
ALT	Altitude (QARS program)
AOL	Aircraft Obstruction Light(s)
ARSR	Air Route Surveillance Radar
ARTCC	Air Route Traffic Control Center
ASPLT	Azimuth Split (QARS program)
ATCBI	Air Traffic Control Beacon Interrogator
ATCRBS	Air Traffic Control Radar Beacon System
AZ	Azimuth (QARS program)
BCN	Beacon (QARS program)
BFTA	Beacon False Target Analysis (computer program)
BLIP	Blip/Scan Ratio (QARS program)
CAI	Contract Acceptance Inspection
CD	Common Digitizer
CDRECORD	Common Digitizer Record (computer program)
COLL	Collimation (QARS program)
COMDIG	Common Digitizer Data Reduction (computer program)
CW	Radomes (military designation)
DRG	Data Receiver Group
DEV	Deviation (QARS program)
DQT	Design Qualification Test
ERMS	Environmental Remote Monitoring Subsystem
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration
FALSE-BCN	False Beacon (QARS program)
FGAR	Fixed Ground Antenna Radome
HCS	HOST Computer System
HOST	Air Traffic Control HOST Computer System (not an acronym)
M3REL	Mode 3/A Reliability Percentage (QARS program)
M3VAL	Mode 3/A Validity Percentage (QARS program)
MCREL	Mode C Reliability Percentage (QARS program)

MCVAL	Mode C Validity (QARS program)
Mode S	Mode Select Beacon System
MOE	Measures of Effectiveness
MOP	Measures of Performance
MPH	Miles Per Hour
MS	Mississippi
MTI	Moving Target Indicator (QARS program)
NAS	National Airspace System
NML	Normal (QARS program)
OT&E	Operational Test and Evaluation
PE	Permanent Echo
QARS	Quick Analysis of Radar Sites (computer program)
QNM	Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (identifier)
R/R	Radar Reinforced (QARS program)
RAR	Ring-A-Round (QARS program)
RARRE	Range, Azimuth, Radar Reenforced Evaluator (computer program)
REF	Reflections (QARS program)
RMMS	Remote Maintenance Monitoring System
RPM	Revolutions Per Minute
RSPLT	Range Split (QARS program)
SAT	Site Acceptance Test
SCAN	Blip/Scan Ratio (QARS program)
SCH	Combined Moving Target Indicator and Normal Video (QARS program)
T&E	Test and Evaluation
TD	Test Director
TDR	Test Discrepancy Report
TEMP	Test and Evaluation Master Plan
TSS	Technical Support Staff
TVRTM	Test Verification Requirements Traceability Matrix
VAC	Volts Alternating Current
VDC	Volts Direct Current

ZHU Houston Air Route Traffic Control Center (identifier)
ZME Memphis Air Route Traffic Control Center (identifier)
ZER Code Zero Percentage (QARS program)

APPENDIX A
TEST PROCEDURES

TEST PROCEDURES

1. TEST TITLE.

NPME-1A/B Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) Quick Analysis of Radar Sites (QARS) Program Test

1.1 TEST OBJECTIVE.

The objective is to determine if there are any differences in the performance characteristics of the primary (ARSR-3) and/or secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).

1.2 MEASURES OF EFFECTIVENESS (MOE).

The FGAR does not affect the accuracy of the primary (ARSR-3) or secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).

1.3 MEASURES OF PERFORMANCE (MOP).

The accuracy of the primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data being received by the ARTCC is the same, before and after the FGAR is installed.

1.4 EVALUATION CRITERIA.

There is no change in the accuracy of the primary (ARSR-3) or secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM), between the original radome and the FGAR.

1.5 PROCEDURES.

- a. NPME-1A, Original Radome Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) QARS Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the QARS program on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).
 2. The QARS program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.
- b. NPME-1B, FGAR Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) QARS Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the QARS program on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM), after the contractor has:
 - (a) Installed the FGAR and removed any scaffolding, cranes, etc., required for its installation.
 - (b) Completed the First Article DQT.
 - (c) Completed the SAT.
 - (d) Completed the CAI.

2. The QARS program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.

c. Data Analysis.

When the QARS program has been run on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data with the original radome and again after the FGAR has been installed, the TSS personnel will compare these data to determine if there are any changes in the accuracy or any other anomalies. Upon completion of the analysis, the TSS personnel will submit a report to the TD.

2. TEST TITLE.

NPME-2A/B Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) Beacon False Target Analysis (BFTA) Program Test

2.1 TEST OBJECTIVE.

The objective is to determine if there are any differences in the number and/or types of beacon false targets, i.e., splits, ring-around, reflections, etc., in the beacon data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).

2.2 MOE.

The FGAR does not increase the number of beacon false targets included in the beacon data received by the ARTCC.

2.3 MOP.

The number of beacon false targets are the same or less, after the FGAR is installed.

2.4 EVALUATION CRITERIA.

The number of beacon false targets in the beacon data received by the ARTCC is either the same or less than the number received before the FGAR was installed.

2.5 PROCEDURES.

a. NPME-2A, Original Radome Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) BFTA Program Test.

1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the BFTA program on beacon data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).
2. The BFTA program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.

b. NPME-2B, FGAR Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) BFTA Program Test.

1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the BFTA program on beacon data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM), after the contractor has:
 - (a) Installed the FGAR and removed any scaffolding, cranes, etc., required for its installation.
 - (b) Completed the First Article DQT.
 - (c) Completed the SAT.
 - (d) Completed the CAI.
2. The BFTA program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.

c. Data Analysis.

When the BFTA program has been run on beacon data with the original radome and again after the FGAR is installed, the TSS personnel will compare these data to determine if there are any changes in the number and/or types of beacon false targets. Upon completion of the analysis, the TSS personnel will submit a report to the TD.

3. TEST TITLE.

NPME-3A/B Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) Common Digitizer Data Reduction (COMDIG) Program Test

3.1 TEST OBJECTIVE.

The objective is to determine if there are any changes in the position of the primary (ARSR-3) Permanent Echoes (PE) and/or secondary (beacon) "parrot(s)," in the radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).

3.2 MOE.

The FGAR does not change the position of the primary (ARSR-3) PEs or secondary (beacon) "parrot(s)," in the radar data received by the ARTCC.

3.3 MOP.

The position of the primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) "parrot(s)" are the same.

3.4 EVALUATION CRITERIA.

The primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) "parrot(s)" positions are the same, before and after the FGAR is installed.

3.5 PROCEDURES.

- a. NPME-3A, Original Radome Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) COMDIG Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the COMDIG program on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).
 2. The COMDIG program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.
- b. NPME-3B, FGAR Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) COMDIG Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the COMDIG program on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM), after the contractor has:
 - (a) Installed the FGAR and removed any scaffolding, cranes, etc., required for its installation.
 - (b) Completed the First Article DQT.
 - (c) Completed the SAT.
 - (d) Completed the CAI.
 2. The COMDIG program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.

c. Data Analysis.

When the COMDIG program has been run on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data with the original radome and again after the FGAR is installed, the TSS personnel will compare these data to determine if there are any changes in the position of the primary (ARSR-3) PEs or secondary (beacon) "parrot(s)." Upon completion of the analysis, the TSS personnel will submit a report to the TD.

4. TEST TITLE.

NPME-4A/B Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) Range, Azimuth, Radar Reinforced Evaluator (RARRE) Program Test

4.1 TEST OBJECTIVE.

The objective is to determine if there are any changes in the overall radar reenforcement percentage, altitude coverage, and/or range coverage in the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM) primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received by the ARTCC, after the FGAR is installed.

4.2 MOE.

The FGAR does not change the primary (ARSR-3) or secondary (beacon) overall radar reenforcement percentage, altitude coverage, or range coverage.

4.3 MOP.

The overall radar reenforcement percentage, altitude coverage, and range coverage are the same or greater, after the FGAR is installed.

4.4 EVALUATION CRITERIA.

The overall radar reenforcement percentage, altitude coverage, or range coverage do not decrease, after the FGAR is installed.

4.5 PROCEDURES.

- a. NPME-4A, Original Radome Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) RARRE Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the RARRE program on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).
 2. The RARRE program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.
- b. NPME-4B, FGAR Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) RARRE Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the RARRE program on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM), after the contractor has:
 - (a) Installed the FGAR and removed any scaffolding, cranes, etc., required for its installation.
 - (b) Completed the First Article DQT.
 - (c) Completed the SAT.
 - (d) Completed the CAI.
 2. The RARRE program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.

c. Data Analysis.

When the RARRE program has been run on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data with the original radome and again after the FGAR is installed, the TSS personnel will compare these data to determine if there are any changes in the overall radar reenforcement percentage, altitude coverage, or range coverage. Upon completion of the analysis, the TSS personnel will submit a report to the TD.

5. TEST TITLE.

NPHU-1A/B Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) Quick Analysis of Radar Sites (QARS) Program Test

5.1 TEST OBJECTIVE.

The objective is to determine if there are any differences in the performance characteristics of the primary (ARSR-3) and/or secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).

5.2 MOE.

The FGAR does not affect the accuracy of the primary (ARSR-3) or secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).

5.3 MOP.

The accuracy of the primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data being received by the ARTCC is the same, before and after the FGAR is installed.

5.4 EVALUATION CRITERIA.

There is no change in the accuracy of the primary (ARSR-3) or secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM), between the original radome and the FGAR.

5.5 PROCEDURES.

- a. NPHU-1A, Original Radome Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/ Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) QARS Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the QARS program on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).
 2. The QARS program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.
- b. NPHU-1B, FGAR Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) QARS Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the QARS program on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM), after the contractor has:
 - (a) Installed the FGAR and removed any scaffolding, cranes, etc., required for its installation.
 - (b) Completed the First Article DQT.
 - (c) Completed the SAT.
 - (d) Completed the CAI.
 2. The QARS program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.

c. Data Analysis.

When the QARS program has been run on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data with the original radome and again after the FGAR has been installed, the TSS personnel will compare these data to determine if there are any changes in the accuracy or any other anomalies. Upon completion of the analysis, the TSS personnel will submit a report to the TD.

6. TEST TITLE.

NPHU-2A/B Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) Beacon False Target Analysis (BFTA) Program Test

6.1 TEST OBJECTIVE.

The objective is to determine if there are any differences in the number and/or types of beacon false targets, i.e., splits, ring-around, reflections, etc., in the beacon data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).

6.2 MOE.

The FGAR does not increase the number of beacon false targets included in the beacon data received by the ARTCC.

6.3 MOP.

The number of beacon false targets are the same or less, after the FGAR is installed.

6.4 EVALUATION CRITERIA.

The number of beacon false targets in the beacon data received by the ARTCC is either the same or less than the number received before the FGAR was installed.

6.5 PROCEDURES.

- a. NPHU-2A, Original Radome Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) BFTA Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the BFTA program on beacon data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).
 2. The BFTA program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.
- b. NPHU-2B, FGAR Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) BFTA Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the BFTA program on beacon data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM), after the contractor has:
 - (a) Installed the FGAR and removed any scaffolding, cranes, etc., required for its installation.
 - (b) Completed the First Article DQT.
 - (c) Completed the SAT.
 - (d) Completed the CAI.

c. Data Analysis.

When the BFTA program has been run on beacon data with the original radome and again after the FGAR has been installed, the TSS personnel will compare these data to determine if there are any changes in the number and/or types of beacon false targets. Upon completion of the analysis, the TSS personnel will submit a report to the TD.

7. TEST TITLE.

NPHU-3A/B Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) Common Digitizer Data Reduction (COMDIG) Program Test

7.1 TEST OBJECTIVE.

The objective is to determine if there are any changes in the position of the primary (ARSR-3) PEs and/or secondary (beacon) "parrot(s)," in the radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).

7.2 MOE.

The FGAR does not change the position of the primary (ARSR-3) PEs or secondary (beacon) "parrot(s)," in the radar data received by the ARTCC.

7.3 MOP.

The position of the primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) "parrot(s)" are the same.

7.4 EVALUATION CRITERIA.

The primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) "parrot(s)" positions are the same, before and after the FGAR is installed.

7.5 PROCEDURES.

- a. NPHU-3A, Original Radome Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) COMDIG Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the COMDIG program on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).
 2. The COMDIG program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.
- b. NPHU-3B, FGAR Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) COMDIG Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the COMDIG program on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM), after the contractor has:
 - (a) Installed the FGAR and removed any scaffolding, cranes, etc., required for its installation.
 - (b) Completed the First Article DQT.
 - (c) Completed the SAT.
 - (d) Completed the CAI.
 2. The COMDIG program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.

c. Data Analysis.

When the COMDIG program has been run on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data with the original radome and again after the FGAR is installed, the TSS personnel will compare these data to determine if there are any changes in the position of the primary (ARSR-3) PEs and secondary (beacon) "parrot(s)." Upon completion of the analysis, the TSS personnel will submit a report to the TD.

8. TEST TITLE.

NPHU-4A/B Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) Range, Azimuth, Radar Reinforced Evaluator (RARRE) Program Test

8.1 TEST OBJECTIVE.

The objective is to determine if there are any changes in the overall radar reenforcement percentage, altitude coverage, and/or range coverage in the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM) primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received by the ARTCC, after the FGAR is installed.

8.2 MOE.

The FGAR does not change the primary (ARSR-3) or secondary (beacon) overall radar reenforcement percentage, altitude coverage, or range coverage.

8.3 MOP.

The overall radar reenforcement percentage, altitude coverage, and range coverage are the same or greater, after the FGAR is installed.

8.4 EVALUATION CRITERIA.

The overall radar reenforcement percentage, altitude coverage, or range coverage do not decrease, after the FGAR is installed.

8.5 PROCEDURES.

- a. NPME-4A, Original Radome Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) RARRE Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the RARRE program on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM).
 2. The RARRE program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.
- b. NPME-4B, FGAR Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) RARRE Program Test.
 1. The ARTCC HCS operators will run the RARRE program on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data received from the Newport ARSR-3 En Route Radar Facility (QNM), after the contractor has:
 - (a) Installed the FGAR and removed any scaffolding, cranes, etc., required for its installation.
 - (b) Completed the First Article DQT.
 - (c) Completed the SAT.
 - (d) Completed the CAI.
 2. The RARRE program printouts will be given to the TSS personnel for analysis.

c. Data Analysis.

When the RARRE program has been run on primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data with the original radome and again after the FGAR is installed, the TSS personnel will compare these data to determine if there are any changes in the overall radar reenforcement percentage, altitude coverage, or range coverage. Upon completion of the analysis, the TSS personnel will submit a report to the TD.

9. LIST OF TEST TITLES.

NPHU-1A	Original Radome Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) QARS Program Test
NPHU-1B	FGAR Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) QARS Program Test
NPHU-2A	Original Radome Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) BFTA Program Test
NPHU-2B	FGAR Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) BFTA Program Test
NPHU-3A	Original Radome Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) COMDIG Program Test
NPHU-3B	FGAR Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) COMDIG Program Test
NPHU-4A	Original Radome Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) RARRE Program Test
NPHU-4B	FGAR Installed - Houston ARTCC (ZHU)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) RARRE Program Test
NPME-1A	Original Radome Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) QARS Program Test
NPME-1B	FGAR Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) QARS Program Test
NPME-2A	Original Radome Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) BFTA Program Test
NPME-2B	FGAR Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) BFTA Program Test
NPME-3A	Original Radome Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) COMDIG Program Test
NPME-3B	FGAR Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) COMDIG Program Test
NPME-4A	Original Radome Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) RARRE Program Test
NPME-4B	FGAR Installed - Memphis ARTCC (ZME)/Newport ARSR-3 (QNM) RARRE Program Test

APPENDIX B
DATA ANALYSIS PROGRAMS

DATA ANALYSIS PROGRAMS

The programs that will be used to analyze the electromagnetic performance of the primary (ARSR-3) and secondary (beacon) radar data are described below.

1. Beacon False Target Analysis (BFTA) Program.

The BFTA program provides a tool to investigate and evaluate false target problems associated with the ATCRBS/Mode Select Beacon System (Mode S). The BFTA program retrieves and processes beacon target information relative to all Mode 3/A beacon equipped aircraft detected during one job cycle of the program.

2. Common Digitizer Data Reduction (COMDIG) Program.

The COMDIG program extracts selected types of data from a CDRECORD program tape, containing various mixtures of six difference Common Digitizer (CD) message types received by the HCS, and prints these data in prescribed formats.

3. Common Digitizer Record (CD RECORD).

The CD RECORD program provides the capability to record on magnetic tape, CD data as received over the Data Receiver Group (DRG)/HCS interface. The CD RECORD program is run on the HCS.

4. Quick Analysis of Radar Sites (QARS) Program.

The QARS programs is divided into two sections: (1) Radar System Interface Verification, and (2) Radar Data Analysis Summary routine which analyzes the beacon tracks.

a. Radar System Interface Verification.

The following applicable parameters are supplied:

1. Site identification.
2. Beacon percentages.
 - (a) Radar reinforced percentage
 - (b) Mode 3/A validation percentage
 - (c) Mode C validation percentage
 - (d) Mode 2 validation percentage
3. Status summary - provides the status of the primary and secondary radars, and the CD.

b. Radar Data Analysis Summary.

The following parameters are supplied:

1. Adapted radar site name.
2. Video - The receiver videos used for the CD input.
 - (a) Beacon (BCN)

- (b) Moving Target Indicator (MTI)
 - (c) Normal (NML)
 - (d) Combined MTI and Normal video (SCH)
3. Scans -
- (a) Beacon - total number of antenna revolutions for the period of time the beacon return was tracked.
 - (b) Surveillance - will vary according to a target's range and elevation.
4. Blip/Scan - The percentage ratio of the number of times a target was detected (BLIP) to the number of times it could have been detected (SCAN).
5. Radar Reinforced (R/R) - Ratio of number of beacon messages with the reinforced bit set to the total number of beacon messages received.
6. Collimation (COLL) - The collimation percentage for NML and MTI video.
7. Beacon split -
- (a) Azimuth Split (ASPLT)
 - (b) Range Split (RSPLT)
8. False Beacon (FALSE-BCN) -
- (a) Ring-a-round (RAR)
 - (b) Reflections (REF)
 - (c) Code zero percentage (ZER)
9. Code Reliability -
- (a) Mode 3/A reliability percentage (M3REL)
 - (b) Mode 3/A validity (M3VAL)
 - (c) Mode C reliability percentage (MCREL)
 - (d) Mode C validity (MCVAL)
10. Range - Beacon track start and stop histories.
11. Azimuth (AZ) - Beacon track start and stop histories.
12. Altitude (ALT) - Beacon track start and stop histories.
13. Deviation (DEV) - Mean difference of the predicted versus the actual position of a track.
14. Collimation Distribution - Variations of the closest surveillance return relative to the beacon return that was being tracked.

15. Permanent Echo (PE) Verification - Range of the adapted PEs in whole and eighths of a mile, together with the mean error in whole and tenths of Azimuth Change Pulses (ACP).

16. The mean predicted versus actual position of all the tracks for the site.

5. Range, Azimuth, Radar Reenforced Evaluator (RARRE) Program.

The RARRE program provides the capability to retrieve, sort, and print target primary and secondary (beacon) radar information pertaining to all Mode 3/A beacon equipped aircraft detected by any number of radar sites. These data are received from a CD RECORD format tape and run on the HCS.

APPENDIX C
TEST FORMS

TEST MISSION LOG
TYPE V/VI
FGAR OT&E OPERATIONAL TEST

Date: _____

Test Number: _____

Test Title: _____

Test Location: _____

Test Team Members/Participants: (Name/Organization/Phone Number)

1. Are there any open items, e.g., deviations from the test procedures, required regression testing, etc.?

(Use additional sheets, if necessary)

2. The test objective(s) are listed in the appropriate paragraph of Appendix A, of the Test Procedures document.
3. The equipment configuration is described in the appropriate paragraph of Appendix A, of the Test Procedures document.

Test Director (Name, Title, Organization)

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TEST CONDUCT LOG
TYPE V/VI
FGAR OT&E OPERATIONAL TEST

Date: _____

Test Number: _____

Test Title: _____

Test Location: _____

Record specific events, measurements, problems encountered, anomalies, and/or deficiencies, etc. Include a description of the test performed and any problems.

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Test Director (Name, Title, Organization)

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Date: _____

Test Location: _____

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TDR No. _____

Test Location: _____

Describe in detail, any problems, failures, etc., encountered during the test.

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